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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

FEASTER, et al.

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For: ASSAY FOR DETECTING, MEASURING AND

MONITORING THE ACTIVITIES AND

CONCENTRATIONS OF PROTEINS AND METHODS OF

USE THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 20 March 2003, the response to which was set to expire on 20 June 2003. A petition for a two-month extension of time is submitted herewith to extend the due date to 20 August 2003. The pending claims were claims 1-9 and 38-52. Claims 45-52 were withdrawn from consideration and claims 1-9 and 38-44 were rejected. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.